

Facts About

The New Main Library

Construction Scheduled to Begin: 2007

Construction Scheduled to be Complete: 2010

Location

Downtown's East Village on city block surrounded by 11th Street and Park Boulevard and J and K streets

Library Space

366,094 square feet (including expansion area and separate auditorium building)

Parking Spaces

500 (250 on-site, 250 across the street)

Estimated Cost

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\$185 million (2006 estimate)

Special Features

- 4,700-square-foot Library Plaza
- Outdoor café
- 350-seat auditorium
- Three-story domed reading room
- 400-seat, west-facing multi-purpose room
- 3,840-square-foot teen center
- 10,255-square-foot children's library
- Technology center
- 700-square-foot Library store

Project Manager

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Architect

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FEATURES AND SERVICES	CURRENT CENTRAL LIBRARY	NEW MAIN LIBRARY
Library Space	144,524 square feet	366,094 square feet, including auditorium
Library Site	30,000 square feet	69,820 square feet
Designated Parking	None	250 spaces (plus 250 across street)
Collection Size		
Total (volumes)	780,000	1,250,598
Children's (volumes)	42,749	71,965
Public Computers	84	336*
Special Areas		
Children's Library	3,200 square feet	10,255 square feet
Teen Center	1,240 square feet	3,840 square feet
Readers Seats	409	1,200
Meeting Spaces		
Auditorium Capacity	185 people	350 people
Number of Meeting Rooms	2	6
Number of Study Rooms	None	13
Special Services		
Literacy Services	Off-site at branch library	3,892 square feet onsite
Gallery and Exhibit Space	Minimal hallway space	3,000 square feet
Special Event Space	None	4,000 square feet

^{*} Broadband wireless Internet within the Main Library will enable unlimited additional public connections for people to use their personal laptops and other devices. Laptops with wireless capability will also be available from the library for the public to use.

Main Library Square Footage

The total gross size of the new Main Library building is 492,495 square feet. Below is a breakdown:

- Library space in main building: 361,100 square feet, including:
 - Two floors that will be leased and reserved for future library expansion (76,944 square feet).
- Two Parking Levels with 250 spaces: 131,395 square feet

For more information about the San Diego Public Library and future library projects, visit the Library web site:

www.sandiegolibrary.org

In addition, there will be two separate areas from the main building:

- Auditorium Building: 4,994 square feet
- Café: 163 square feet